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DEADLINE FOR PAYING 2008 PROPERTY TAX IS JUNE 30

The City of Saskatoon reminds property owners that property taxes for 2008 must be paid by Monday, June 30, 2008 to avoid penalty. Payment may be made in person at City Hall, Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (222 - 3rd Avenue North).

Property owners may want to consider one of the following payment options to avoid last minute line-ups:

- Internet Banking Options – Taxes can be paid online using internet banking options;
- Financial Institutions – Taxes can be paid while doing regular business at most financial institutions and banks;
- By Mail – Cheques or money orders can be mailed to City Hall but must be postmarked by June 30; or
- City Hall Drop Boxes – Payment (cheques only with payment stub) may be placed in one of the two drop boxes located at City Hall. The outside drop box is to the right of the main entrance; the inside drop box is in the pillar near the elevator in City Hall lobby.

Property owners may also join the Tax Instalment Payment Plan Service (TIPPS) that allows property taxes to be paid in monthly instalments. TIPPS payments may only be made by automatic withdrawal from a bank account. Applications for this service are available on the City's website at www.saskatoon.ca, search under "p" for Property Tax. For more information on the TIPPS program, please contact Customer Service at 975-2400.

There is a 1.25% per month penalty for any overdue 2008 taxes, and an additional 1.5% per month penalty on any property tax arrears balances from previous taxation years.

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